Carlton Art Gallery

October. These workshops offer artistic expression in oil, acrylic, water color, mixed media collage, expressive and intuitive arts

One of the final exhibitions this year celebrating the 30th Anniversary of Carlton Gallery is by Warren Dennis which runs through Nov. 18. Dennis' exhibit is cubist based while his paintings for many years were naturalistic based with a little eccentricity. After sixty years painting in his signature style, Dennis says he had extinguished his subject matter. In order

to continue painting, he developed a new style. It was with some apprehension at first, but then a flood of ideas came forth with the results being very engaging and enjoyable for the viewer. Dennis says, "I think they are colorful and energetic, and although they don't follow current trends, I don't care. I know they are good".

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 828/963-4288 or visit (www. carltonartgallery.com).

Crimson Laurel Gallery in Bakersville, NC, Features An **Exhibition of Ceramic Cups**

Crimson Laurel Gallery in Bakersville, NC, will present the exhibit, Source Material: An Exhibition on Water and the Ceramic Cup, featuring works from around the country, on view from Nov. 3 through Dec. 31, 2012. A reception will be held on Nov. 3, beginning at 6pm.

This is one of our most anticipated exhibitions of the year and Gainsville, FL, potter Lindsay Rogers has been selected to curate this year's event. Rogers has selected 68 of her favorite ceramic artists from around the country for the exhibition and they represent a broad range of unique styles and techniques.

Roger's inspiration for the exhibition was water. According to her, "Water is everywhere. As abundant as an ocean and as delicate as a drop, water is the source of all life. This eternally human need consistently shifts the way we build our tools, our cultures and our lives. Historically speaking, water has become a dictator of form,



(left to right) Cups by KyoungHwa Oh, Chandra DeBuse, Brett Freund, Marty Fielding, Shawn Spangler and Nicole Aquillano.

an aesthetic inspiration, a human habit and an honest informer of the ecological state of our world. In this exhibit, contemporary ceramic artists will address the theme of water through the form of the ceramic cup."

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 828/688-3599 or visit (www.crimsonlaurelgallery.com).

Mica - Fine Contemporary Craft in Bakersville, NC, Features Works

by Dorothy Buchanan Collins

Mica - Fine Contemporary Craft in Bakersville, NC, is presenting the exhibit, Late Bloomer, A Celebration of Color, featuring floral-inspired oil paintings by Dorothy Buchanan Collins, on view through Dec. 31, 2012.

Collins is a native of Greensboro, NC. She spent the first 20 years of her marriage to T. Clyde Collins raising four children and volunteering in her local community. In 1980, when her youngest child left for college, Collins started studying art at Guilford Technical Community College, Ringling School of Art Wildacres Retreat, the North Carolina Museum of Art, and the Penland School of Crafts. Collins and her husband have spent most of their time over the last 25 years in the mountains. In 2005 they purchased a home in Spruce Pine, NC, and added a painting studio.

Collins' lifelong passion for wildflowers has influenced much of her work. Many of her large paintings of flowers on view at Mica Gallery explore the use of color and expressive brush work.

Mica is a cooperative gallery featuring the fine contemporary craft work of 11 member artists all from the immediate area. Available for sale is a variety of



Work by Dorothy Buchanan Collins

functional and sculptural ceramic, glass, and wood art each touched by the unique mark of its maker. Participating artists from Bakersville, NC: Gertrude Graham Smith, Fork Mountain Pottery, Shaunna Lyons, Jenny Lou Sherburne, and David Ross. From Penland, NC: Barking Spider Pottery, Cynthia Bringle, Pablo Soto, and Susan Feagin. From Burnsville, NC: Claudia Dunaway, William Baker, and Joy Tanner. From Asheville, NC: Jacque Allen.

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 828/688-6642 or visit (www. micagallerync.com).

Mesh Gallery in Morganton, NC, **Features Works by Laura Lashley**

Mesh Gallery in Morganton, NC, will present the exhibit, Bloom, a single artist show featuring the work of Winston Salem, NC, artist Laura Lashley, on view from Nov. 12 through Jan. 4, 2013. A reception will be held on Nov. 16, from 6-8pm.

Lashley's work involves the exploration of color and pattern and how they

interact formally. Using similar themes with dramatically different pallets she is able to demonstrate the variety of emotional responses possible by juxtaposition of hue and saturation.

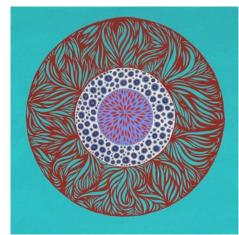
Bloom is an optical experience that will transform the otherwise neutral space at MESH in dramatic fashion. Lashley is an

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art instructor at The Enrichment Center, an arts based day program for adults with developmental disabilities in Winston

"Painting is how I meditate. I clear my mind and let the colors call out to me," says Lashley. "The lines I paint are best when I completely relax and let my arm float over the canvas. My recent paintings are a continuation of my exploration of color, pattern and movement. Patience is also a key element of my work because each painting is meticulous and precise. I joke that my paintings are portals to another dimension because I just want to dive right in!"

For further information check our NC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 828/437-1957 or visit (www.



Work by Laura Lashley meshdesigngroup.com).

Skyuka Fine Art in Tryon, NC, Offers Works by Bart Lindstrom

Skyuka Fine Art in Tryon, NC, will present the exhibit, Fall with Me, featuring works by nationally known artist and portrait painter Bart Lindstrom, on view from Nov. 3 - 30, 2012. A reception will be held on Nov. 3, from 5-8pm.

This is a show that continues his Lindstrom's passion; exploring the human form, and creating still life paintings with museum vases. This show will be featured nationally in November's American Art Collector magazine.

Lindstrom's works hang in Federal courtrooms, State capitals, and in the homes of United States Senators and Governors as well as numerous collectors who have commissioned him to paint their loved ones. Come meet this nationally recognized and award winning artist, teacher, speaker, former board member of the American Society of Portrait Artists, and cofounder of the Portrait Society of

For further information check our NC



Work by Bart Lindstrom

Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 828/817-3783 or visit (www. skyukafineart.com).

Caldwell Arts Council in Lenoir, NC, Offers Works by Barry Russell

The Caldwell Arts Council in Lenoir, NC, will present the exhibit, Woodn't You Know?, featuring woodturning art by Kannapolis, NC, artist Barry Russell and members of the Catawba Valley Wood Carvers, on view from Nov. 2 - 21, 2012. A reception will be held on Nov. 2, from 5-7:30pm.

Catawba Valley Woodcarvers include carvers of all skill levels and interests. Their mission is to promote woodcarving in the Catwba Valley Region, and they are a group of friends who meet at the Klingspor Woodworking Shop in Hickory, NC, on a monthly basis.

Barry Russell says, "Woodturning is about the wood and form. Today, woodturning as an art form has taken many directions. Work on the lathe easily lends itself to the creation of vessels, but the vessel is only the beginning. Many artists are moving the art away from the vessel and are creating sculpture on the lathe. Most of my work retains the vessel. I seek to use classic forms as a starting point. I use various techniques to transform the vessel and present it in a different context. I employ carving, sculpting, texturing, burning, and coloring to create a work product that has a visual and tactile impact on those who come in contact with it. As



Work by Don McHugh

an artist working with wood as a media, I am challenged by a beautiful and unique material that can be formed to create a unique object that honors "The beauty of wood and the elegance of form". I explore woodturning in my studio with an open and independent mind. I am inspired by those who came before me and those who are working today, but I follow my own path allowing my work to evolve.

This project is supported by the N.C. Arts Council, a division of the Department of Cultural Resources.

For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Council at 828/754-2486 or visit (www. caldwellarts.com).

15th Voorhees Family Art Show and Sale Takes Place in North Asheville, NC - Nov. 17 & 18, 2012

The 15th Voorhees Family Art Show and Sale Takes Place in North Asheville, NC. on Saturday, Nov. 17, from 10am to 5pm and Sunday, Nov.18, from noon to 5pm, at a recently renovated historic Arts and Crafts style home located at 89 Woodward Avenue in the Norwood Park area of North Asheville, NC. This weekend show and sale

is free and open to the public.

This year's annual event will feature new work created by six Voorhees family members along with two guest artists. Hosted in cousin Marien Bradsher's circa 1916 house with its majestic American Elm, the event will again be featured in a family

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